

HOUSTON REVIEWS PEACE-BASIS NEED

Highway Construction Vital Factor in Reconstruction Period

CREDIT UNIONS URGED

Livestock Markets and Packing Industry Should Be Supervised by Government

By the Associated Press

Washington, Nov. 27.—Reconstruction plans in the opinion of Secretary Houston should include re-creation of highway construction under the Federal aid road act, creation of systems of personal credit unions for farmers, systematic supervision of land settlement, provision for safeguarding the rights of tenants an encouragement of farm ownership, continuation of Government supervision of stockyards and related industries, and extension of the benefits of modern medicine and sanitation to rural districts.

These views of the Secretary, expressed in confidence to agricultural editors of the country at a meeting here, several days ago, were authorized for publication today.

Confidence was expressed by Mr. Houston that agriculture, which, he said, "probably was the best prepared industry in the nation when the war came," would be one of the first to readjust itself to a peace basis.

Nevertheless, he said, the farmer and the farm can not go back to the pre-war state.

Good Highways Vital Factor

The public highways, Secretary Houston told the editors, will be a vital factor in the reconstruction period.

For that reason, he said, highway construction should be started as soon as possible. Under the Federal aid road act, Federal and State funds, appropriated for road building, and not expended owing to the stoppage of construction by the war, will amount this year to about \$75,000,000.

Road building, he termed a worthy project for employment of the surplus labor simply expected to result from demobilization of the army.

Though farmers with proper security may now obtain loans through the farm loan banks, Secretary Houston said, "the means must be devised for furnishing financial assistance for the farmers who can not offer land as collateral. Establishment of personal credit unions, preferably by the States, would meet this problem, he said.

Discussing the possibility that many of the returning soldiers may wish to take up farming, the Secretary said it would be desirable to facilitate land settlement in more systematic fashion. This, he said, has too long been left to the haphazard intervention of private enterprises and the nation has suffered not a little from irresponsible private speculation. Both Federal and State governments should furnish, in his opinion, reliable information and agricultural guidance to beginning farmers and should promote well-considered settlement plans.

Particularly vital, Mr. Houston held, is that the process of acquiring ownership of farms be encouraged and hastened. Tenants, he said, are protected for "it is a step toward ownership."

Packing Industry Supervision

The restoration and maintenance of conditions which will justify confidence in the livestock markets and the meat-

packing industry, the Secretary termed the greatest single need in the present meat situation in the United States. The economic welfare of meat production and distribution would be promoted, he said, by the continuation and development in some form of supervision over the packing industry. He urged that the necessary legislation should be enacted at the earliest possible moment.

To promote rural health and sanitation, he explained, that an effective sanitary survey should be made of the country, the sources of such diseases as typhoid fever be eradicated, steps be taken to control the hookworm and mosquitoes and the country districts be given the advantages of modern hospitals, nursing and specialized medical practice.

Certain activities of the department of Agriculture, expanded under the food-production act, should be continued, said the Secretary, naming the work of the extension forces, the control and eradication of animal diseases and the market news agencies.

Discussing the world food situation, Secretary Houston said it appeared "highly probable that prices for current supplies, for the harvest of this year, both because of large foreign needs and of continuing domestic demands, will remain reasonably high and remunerative to producers." It was yet too early, he said, to advise regarding planting next spring, as no one can forecast the supply and demand and the prices a year hence.

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Roma, 25 novembre (Ritardato).

L'Ammiraglio Thaon di Revel, comandante delle forze navali italiane, ha rice-

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for the hardest conditions which hatred and revenge might demand. One of the Frenchmen pointed to a heap of ruins, saying, 'Behold St. Quentin.'

"We entered a train with blinds drawn in the evening and awoke in the morning in the midst of the forest of Compiègne, surrounded by soldiers."

Enmity Shown in Terms

"There were two trains, one occupied by Marshal Foch and his staff and the other by the Germans. In these we lived, worked and negotiated for three days. We had everything in abundance. There was nothing to find fault with. The great enmity and hatred that apparently prevailed against us were shown, however, in the negotiations and in the terms imposed."

The narrator remarks that the French officers and Vice Admiral Wemyss, British representative, maintained a cold attitude, "never tempered by a friendly word."

"Marshal Foch, whom we only saw twice, at the beginning and at the end of the conference, is a stern, plain man. He did not speak a single word to us in the tone which formerly distinguished the chivalrous French nation."

Never Ill-Mannered

"It is not true that Foch told us there could not be any question of negotiations, only the imposition of conditions, and whatever coldness he displayed was never ill-mannered or rough."

"Really there was nothing to negotiate. We pointed out the technical impossibility of some conditions. Finally we were obliged to sign."

During the discussion the French handed the Germans the Paris newspaper announcing the abdication of Emperor William.

"We observed no smile of triumph on their faces," adds the writer, "but could discern their hatred."

NEW RULE IN OLDENBURG

Republic Takes Form With Selection of Directory

Berlin, Nov. 23 (delayed)—(By A. P.)—The Grand Duchy of Oldenburg has been transformed into a republic under a directory composed of five social democrats, two bourgeois and two former ministers.

The Duke of Brunswick and his family have gone to AMSTERDAM.

It was reported from Copenhagen last Sunday that the united Workers and Soldiers' Council had proclaimed Oldenburg a republic.

D'Annunzio Cited by Petain

Paris, Nov. 27.—Italian and British military and naval leaders have been cited in general army orders by General Petain, and will receive the French war cross with palm. The Italians are the

Duke of Avola, the Count of Turin, General Cadorna, former commander-in-chief; General Boreau, former assistant chief of the Italian staff; General Mor-

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The Episcopal Hospital makes no distinction in creed, race or color. Its doors are and always have been open to all.

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